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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

HUNTERS CAPITAL, LLC, et al.,)
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Plaintiffs,)
)
vs.) No. 20-cv-00983-TSZ
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CITY OF SEATTLE,)
)
Defendant.)

ZOOM 30(b) 6 Deposition Upon Oral Examination

of

SRJ dba CAR TENDER - JOHN McDERMOTT

DATE: Wednesday, January 19, 2022

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1 MR. WEAVER: Objection.

2 A. I know she works there, but I don't know that
3 she's the owner.

4 BY MS. IVERSON:

5 Q. Okay. She works at Northwest Liquor?

6 A. Yeah.

7 Q. Okay. And did you say you think a couple of the
8 restaurant owners were in the Signal group?

9 A. I don't know if they were restaurant owners, but
10 I believe Cafe Argento may have been, but I don't know
11 exactly who all was in.

12 Q. Okay. Faizel --

13 A. I think they were apartment owners more than
14 Faizel.

15 Q. Okay. But does -- but was Faizel in the group?

16 A. I don't honestly know.

17 Q. Okay. And you think apartment owners. Anyone
18 else that you can think of who was in the group?

19 A. Not that I can think of.

20 Q. Okay. So I think you said you used the messages
21 to monitor what was going on; is that right?

22 A. Yeah.

23 Q. And did you monitor what was going on by reading
24 the messages in the group?

25 A. Yeah.

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1 Q. Yes? Okay. Did you ever respond to any
2 messages?

3 A. I'm fairly certain I responded to one or two of
4 them, but how many I don't know.

5 Q. And do you have copies of those messages still?

6 A. I do not.

7 Q. Okay. And did you ever retain copies of them?

8 A. I gave my phone to Hunters Capital -- or not
9 Hunters Capital, but to the attorneys to get whatever was
10 on my phone off of my phone.

11 Q. Okay. Did you ever take screen shots of the
12 messages?

13 A. No.

14 Q. All right. And I think you said at some point
15 you removed the app from your phone; is that right?

16 A. Correct.

17 Q. Okay. And do you remember around when that was?

18 A. To be perfectly honest, I have no idea.

19 Q. Okay. And so would it have been before you moved
20 to Shoreline?

21 A. Yes, because it was causing me a lot of stress.

22 Q. Okay. And so what -- I think you said the
23 security team was in this group. And just to clarify, the
24 security team you're referencing that was in the Signal
25 group -- is that the same security firm that you hired for

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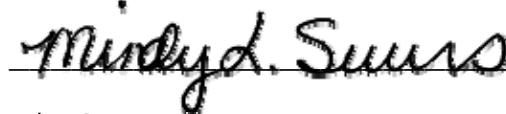
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